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- 1. US POSITION ON QUESTION OF PARTICIPATION BY OBSERVERS IN UNGA PLENARY DISCUSSIONS REMAINS AS STATED REF B AND YOU SHOULD BE GUIDED BY IT.
- 2. BEYOND THAT, WE FIND IT UNUSUAL THAT SSOD PREPCOM SHOULD BE DEALING WITH A PROCEDURAL QUESTION OF THIS NATURE. IT IS A MATTER WHICH REQUIRES A DECISION BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INVOLVING AS IT DOES PROCEDURAL, PRECEDENTIAL AND LEGAL QUESTIONS WHICH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RELATE TO THE OPERATIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND WHICH ARE NOT ORDINARILY THE CONCERN OF DISARMAMENT EXPERTS.

3. ACCORDINGLY, YOU SHOULD RAISE THE MATTER WITH GA PRESIDENT MOSJOV, RECALLING THE MANNER IN WHICH SUCH REQUESTS HAVE BEEN HANDLED IN THE PAST IN THE GENERAL

ASSEMBLY--THE SO-CALLED AMERASINGHE PRECEDENT--AND SEEK
TO ENSURE THAT THE SAME PROCEDURES ARE FOLLOWED WITH
RESPECT TO SSOD AND SPECIAL SESSION ON NAMIBIA AS WELL. CHRISTOPHER

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